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REMARKS

Claims 1-7, 9, 13-20 and 22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wong in view of Peterson. Claims 8 and 21 were rejected as being unpatentable further in view of Tallent. Claims 10-12 and 23-25 were rejected as being unpatentable further in view of Cho '343.

In response, claims 2 and 15 were cancelled, claim 1 was amended to include the limitations of claim 2, and claim 13 was amended to include the limitations of claim 15. Additional limitations were added to claims 1, 3, 13 and 16 regarding details of the patch 44. The added details of the patch 44 are disclosed Figs. 1, 3, 4 and 7 of the original drawings, and are not new matter. The specification and drawings were also amended in line with the claim amendment. In the drawing amendment, reference numerals 72, 74 and 76 were added in Fig. 4.

The added limitation in the amended claims 1 and 13 is as follows:

*"wherein the patch comprises a substantially thin patch body, the patch body comprises a base side that is attached to the base member, and a main side that is attached to the main member."*

The added limitation in the amended claims 3 and 16 is as follows:

*"wherein the sleeve is provided between the base side and the main side of the patch body."*

The limitations are clearly supported by the Figs. 1, 3, 4 and 7. In the amended Fig. 4, reference numeral 72 represents the patch body, reference numeral 74 represents the base side and reference numeral 76 represents the main side. Figs. 1 and 7 clearly show that the patch body 72 is substantially thin, and the sleeve 46 is provided between the base side and the main side.

The invention claimed in the amended claims 1 and 13 is neither disclosed nor implied in the cited references. The patch 44 having the thin patch body 72 cooperates with the supporting member 36 to support the main member 12 in inclined position with respect to the base member

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20 in simple, easy -to-assemble and light construction. Wong discloses many continuous members covered by fabric but does not disclose the combination of *"a supporting member to sustain the main member against the base member while maintaining a substantial angle between the main and base members"* and *"a patch attachedly sided to the main and base members, wherein the patch has a guide to support the supporting member; wherein the patch comprises a substantially thin patch body, the patch body comprises a base side that is attached to the base member, and a main side that is attached to the main member"* that is claimed in the amended claims 1 and 13.

### CONCLUSION

The applicant believes that the rejections were obviated by the amendment of claims, and the application is now in condition for allowance: therefore, reexamination, reconsideration and allowance of the claims are respectively requested. If there are any additional comments or requirements from the examination, the applicant asks for a non-final office action.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication, or credit any over-payment to Deposit Account No. 16-0310.

Very truly yours,

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